RE: Senate Bill 457 - Senate Bill 738

To whom it may concern:

I am writing to provide my testimony to the Senate Bill 457 and Senate Bill 738 regarding town with few than 2000 students to join new or existing regional school districts and the state regionalization of schools.

My family specifically moved to the town of Old Lyme for the school, and I am 100% opposed to these Bills. This is a complete waste of resources currently available and would undoubtedly be a waste of tax payer dollars as well over the long term.

This is a small town, and like most towns (small or large) in the state, a move like this only takes away the identity we have. Not to mention: unexpected costs/debts from combining with other poorly run town/cities, additional travel for students (both car & bus), loss of jobs in an already shrinking job market, and less individual attention for students.

Lastly, you – everyone elected to run this state – have already have a track record that you cannot effectively and efficiently run the state, so I will not trust you on this matter either.

I emphatically implore you to kill these Bills and allow the town to continue running our schools.

Sincerely,

Al Furrow Old Lyme, CT